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The present application is a reissue application of U.S. Patent No. 6,278,266, which issued with claims 1-4. With this preliminary amendment, new claims 5-35 are added.

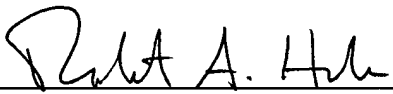
New claims 5-25 are supported by Figs. 1-11 and their accompanying disclosure. For example, Fig. 1 depicts a transformer (12) that has an input winding (14) and a pair of conductors (16,18) that constitute an output winding. As the specification discloses at col. 3, lines 39-41, the conductors (16,18) may be bifilar wound. Fig. 1 further illustrates a center tap terminal 20 coupled between the conductors (16,18) and to an electrical ground. Fig. 1 further illustrates a filter (22) coupled to the output winding of the transformer. As the specification explains at col. 4, lines 65-67, Fig. 3 depicts a transformer having a toroidal core (104). As the specification further explains at col. 7, lines 43-57, Fig. 7 depicts a shield (242) about the windings (236,238), where that shield (242) is grounded by a lead (264) connecting that couples the shield (242) to a grounded bus (224). Moreover, the specification throughout explains that the input and output windings can be selected to have any ratio of turns for a desired output voltage, e.g., at col. 4, lines 15-20.

New claims 26-35 are supported by Figs. 12 and 13 and their accompanying disclosure, at col. 10, lines 27-50. For example, Fig. 12 depicts an AC generator having an output winding, where a grounded center tap (506) is located at the mean voltage differential (or mid-phase point) between two output terminals (502,504) of the generator. The generator is coupled to provide power to a load (510), which is also grounded. Similarly, Fig. 13 shows a multi-phase generator having three output windings (512,514,516), each grounded at a center tap terminal. The output windings (512,514,516) are coupled to provide power to corresponding loads (520,522,524).

If the examiner believes for any reason direct contact would help advance the prosecution of this case to allowance, the examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

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